

## ABSTRACT OF THE INVENTION

A control system, computer, method and computer program that imposes a monitoring load to the extent necessary to carry out pattern analysis on the operation of a system and failure analysis and does not apply any excessive monitoring load. The invention includes an interface for receiving an operation performance metric value of each of a plurality of first monitored items from a monitored computer, and a control section for, based on the operation performance metric value of each first monitored item, determining a second monitored item whose data should be obtained and instructing the monitored computer to obtain an operation performance metric value of the second monitored item which is associated with each first monitored item.